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CAPITOL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Meeting. The Capitol Planning Commission met on Wednesday, April 20, 2018. The following items were discussed:

- Updates to the master plan will be discussed at the next meeting.
- **Pollinator Garden.** A pollinator garden will be installed on the Capitol Complex. Pollinator gardens provide habitat for insects, butterflies, and birds that pollinate plants.
- **Capitol Dome Brick Sale.** A total of 708 bricks have been sold, raising \$61,000 for the Capitol Complex monuments. The Commission discussed selling fragments of the bricks at a lower price with medallions as another fund raising opportunity.
- **Monument Preservation.** A total of \$70,106 was reported to have been raised for monument preservation. Including the match provided in 2016 Iowa Acts, chapter [1133](#) (Infrastructure Appropriations Act), \$105,159 has been raised to support monuments on the Capitol Complex.
- **Dome Repairs.** Work on the dome is still ahead of schedule. It is expected that the outside scaffolding will be down by June, and that everything will be complete by July 1. There is also ongoing work on tuckpointing brick on the building exterior below the dome. Additional bricks may be available for sale. Initially, it was estimated that 1,200 bricks would be available. The estimate at this meeting was 1,700 to 1,800. Lastly, questions were asked about the smaller domes on the capitol building. The smaller domes may have similar issues that will require work in the future.
- **Ola Babcock Miller Building.** Window replacement in the Ola Babcock Miller building is ongoing.

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